

STANDING COMMITTEE ON HOUSE OVERSIGHT, ELECTIONS, AND ETHICS

326 House Office Building

Wednesday 9:30 A.M.

May 3, 2006

Representative Ward, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer, Gaffney, Meisner and Gillard.

Representative Elsenheimer moved, supported by **Representative Meisner**, to approve the minutes of the **April 26, 2006** meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by **unanimous consent**.

The Chair laid **HB 6022** before the committee.

HB 6022 Ward Elections; election officials; inactive voter file; create.

Representative Ward, sponsor of **HB 6022**, explained his bill to the committee.

Tom Frazier, representing the Michigan Townships Association, testified in support of the concept of the bill.

Kathy Dornan and Tonni Bartholomew, representing the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks and the Council of Election Officials, testified in support of **HB 6022**.

Representative Elsenheimer moved, supported by **Representative Gaffney**, to adopt the following amendment.

1. Amend page 5, line 1, by striking out “**OR 661**” and inserting “**661, OR 796A**”

The motion prevailed by **a vote of 5-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer, Gaffney, Meisner and Gillard,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Representative Elsenheimer moved, supported by **Representative Gaffney**, to report **HB 6022** as substitute (**H-1**) with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by **a vote of 3-2-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer and Gaffney,
 Nays: Representative Meisner and Gillard,
 Pass: None.

HB 6022 reported out as substitute (H-1) with recommendation.

The Chair laid **HB 6007** before the committee.

HB 6007 Ward State; identification cards; free photo identification card; provide to certain individuals.

Doug Novak and Chris Thomas, representing the Michigan Secretary of State, testified in support of **HB 6007**.

Kathy Dornan and Tonni Bartholomew, representing the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks and the Council of Election Officials, testified in support of **HB 6007**.

Representative Elsenheimer moved, supported by **Representative Gaffney**, to report **HB 6007** with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a **vote of 3-2-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer and Gaffney,
 Nays: Representative Meisner and Gillard,
 Pass: None.

HB 6007 reported out with recommendation.

The Chair laid **HB 4755** before the committee.

HB 4755 Ward Elections; scheduling; school board and village elections; require to be held in November.

Kathy Dornan and Tonni Bartholomew, representing the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks and the Council of Election Officials, testified in support of **HB 4755**.

Donald Wotruba, representing the Michigan Association of School Boards, testified in opposition to **HB 4755**.

Doug Novak and Chris Thomas, representing the Michigan Secretary of State, testified in support of **HB 4755**.

The following submitted testimony cards indicating **opposition to HB 4755**.

Robert LeFevre, representing the Macomb Intermittent School District
David Ladd, representing the Northern Michigan Schools Legislative Association
Brad Billadue, representing the Michigan Association of School administrators

Representative Elsenheimer moved, supported by **Representative Gaffney**, to adopt the **(H-3)** substitute for **HB 4755**.

The motion prevailed by a **vote of 4-1-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer, Gaffney and Gillard,
 Nays: Representative Meisner,
 Pass: None.

Representative Gaffney moved, supported by **Representative Elsenheimer**, to report **HB 4755** as **substitute (H-3)** with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a **vote of 3-2-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer and Gaffney,
 Nays: Representatives Meisner and Gillard,
 Pass: None.

HB 4755 reported out as substitute (H-3) with recommendation.

The Chair laid **HB 6026** before the committee.

HB 6026	Ward	Elections; school; technical amendments to revised school code concerning school board elections; provide for.
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The following submitted testimony cards indicating **opposition to HB 6026**.

David Ladd, representing the Northern Michigan Schools Legislative Association
Brad Billadue, representing the Michigan Association of School administrators

Representative Gaffney moved, supported by **Representative Elsenheimer**, to report **HB 6026** with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a **vote of 5-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer, Gaffney, Meisner and Gillard,
 Nays: None,
 Pass: None.

HB 6026 reported out with recommendation.

The Chair laid **HJR V** before the committee.

HJR V David Law Legislature; legislators; ability to reduce pay for legislators who miss session without a valid excuse; provide for.

Representative Gaffney moved, supported by **Representative Elsenheimer**, to report **HJR V** with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by **a vote of 5-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer, Gaffney, Meisner and Gillard,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

HJR V reported out with recommendation.

The Chair laid **HB 6011** before the committee.

HB 6011 Ward Public employees and officers; ethics; food and travel for state officials; expand lobbyist reporting requirements.

Representative Gillard moved, supported by **Representative Elsenheimer**, to report **HB 6011** with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by **a vote of 5-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer, Gaffney, Meisner and Gillard,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

HB 6011 reported out with recommendation.

The Chair laid **HB 6013** before the committee.

HB 6013 Elsenheimer Public employees and officers; ethics; ethics standards and disclosure requirements for executive branch officers and employees; revise.

Subsequent to discussion, the Chair announced that no action would be taken on the bill.

The Chair laid **HB 6017** before the committee.

HB 6017 Casperson Public employees and officers; ethics; public official out-of-state travel expense paid by private interest; prohibit.

Representative Elsenheimer moved, supported by **Representative Gaffney**, to adopt the following amendment to **HB 6017**.

1. Amend page 3, line 9, after “**LOBBYIST**” by inserting “**AGENT**”.

The motion prevailed by **a vote of 5-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer, Gaffney, Meisner and Gillard,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

Representative Elsenheimer moved, supported by **Representative Gillard**, to report **HB 6017** as substitute (H-1) with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by **a vote of 5-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer, Gaffney, Meisner and Gillard,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

HB 6017 reported out as substitute (H-1) with recommendation.

The Chair laid **HB 5985** before the committee.

HB 5985 Sheltroun Campaign finance; campaign practices; ban on acceptance of honoraria by legislators; expand to include statewide elective offices.

Representative Gillard moved, supported by **Representative Gaffney**, to report **HB 5985** with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by **a vote of 5-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer, Gaffney, Meisner and Gillard,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

HB 5985 reported out with recommendation.

The Chair laid **HB 4983** before the committee.

HB 4983 Bieda Public employees and officers; ethics; disclosure of contributions to legal defense funds for elected officials; require.

The Chair placed the committee at ease at 10:45 a.m.

The Chair called the meeting back to order at 10:47 a.m.

Representative Meisner moved, supported by **Representative Gillard**, to report **HB 4983** with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by **a vote of 5-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer, Gaffney, Meisner and Gillard,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

HB 4983 reported out with recommendation.

With no further business to come before the committee, **the Chair** adjourned the meeting, the time being **10:48 a.m.**

Representative Ward, Chair

Dave Mead
Committee Clerk
May 3, 2006
1 hour 18 minutes

Date Approved and Signed